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In re Application of: BRAND, Fabien et al.

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Serial No.: 10/019,122

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In response to the Notification Of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371, dated March 20, 2002, the following are enclosed:

- FORM PCT/DO/EO 905 (371 Formalities Notice);
- Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventors, Fabien Brand; Andrew Bradbury;
- A Power of Attorney on behalf of ;
- A Declaration Claiming Small Entity Status executed on behalf of ;
- A Request for Extension of Time of to and including .



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The Commissioner is authorized to charge the following fees to the Deposit Account No. 01-2508, Order No. 11836.0677.NPUS00:

surcharge for late filing ();

the recordation fee for the enclosed Assignment (\$40.00);

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The amended claims by the Applicants in a Preliminary Amendment filed April 11, 2002, do not include a multiple dependent claim. Thus, a multiple dependent claim fee is not included with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2508, Order No. 11836.0677.NPUS00. An additional copy of this sheet is enclosed for this purpose.

Please associate this application with and address all correspondence to:

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Applicant requests for any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application. Applicant's representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2508, referencing Order No. 11836.0677.NPUS00.

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01 FC:968 280.00 CR Order to facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper,

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner directly contact the undersigned by phone to further the discussion.



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In order to promote the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is authorized to contact the undersigned by electronic mail. Please address all e-mail to:  
[houstondocketing@howrey.com](mailto:houstondocketing@howrey.com).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carter White".

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Additionally the following defects have been observed:

- Additional claim fees of \$280 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$280** for a Large Entity:

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$280**
  - **\$280** for multiple dependant claims surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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